

The 6th Sunday Of Easter

May 10, 2026

10:00 AM – Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Before the service, speak to the Lord. (BCP Page 833)

During the service, let the Lord speak to you. After the service, speak to one another.

The Word of God

Voluntary: Ave Maria	Arcadelt/Liszt
Processional Hymn #405 – All Things Bright And Beautiful	Royal Oak
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The Great Thanksgiving

Offertory Sentence	
Anthem: Christ Hath A Garden	Gerald Near
Presentation of Offerings	
The Doxology – Hymn #618	
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia.	
Praise him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.	
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The Amen

Danish



The Lord's Prayer

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The Fraction Anthem: Alleluia, Christ Our Passover, S151

The Invitation

Communion Hymn #593 – Lord, Make Us Servants Of Your Peace
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Jesu, Jesu, du mein Hirt

Post Communion Prayer

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The Blessing

Closing Hymn #400 – All Creatures Of Our God And King vs. 1- 4

Lasst uns erfreuen

The Dismissal

Postlude: Little Prelude in F

J. S. Bach

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The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God by Linda Harris and Lauren Ruby in memory of Ella Mae Noell and thanksgiving for all the mothers who have loved us.

We welcome all family and friends and invite you to join us in Denny Hall after the service for a time of fellowship.

OFFICIANT – The Rev. Gini DiStanislao

LAY READERS – Hank Schepker & Angela Park

ACOLYTE – Nora Blackman

ALTAR GUILD – Stephany Breed, Janet Denson, Susan Hicklin, Lisa McCue, Alexis Rawlings,
Kathy Watkins

GREETER – Valerie Riviere

CHOIR DIRECTOR/ORGANIST – Rita Busse Gulliksen

TELLER – Roy McLeod

COFFEE HOUR – in Denny Hall

NURSERY – Jenny Karluk

USHER – Jacques Riviere

VIDEO STREAMING – Katie Harrison

Receiving Holy Communion

There is no “right” way to receive. Practices vary from one church to another, and our hope is to help you feel more at home here.

✝ We will begin on the left side facing the altar. Please proceed forward on the right side of the aisle and return to your pew on the left. If you are on the end, please step back and allow those on the inside of your row to come forward first.

✝ You may stand or kneel at the altar rail. Ushers will be available to assist if you need a hand stepping up to the altar. If you cannot step up to the altar rail, please let the usher know and wait in the center and the priest will come to you.

✝ To receive, place one hand on top of each other, palms facing up.

✝ If you need Gluten Free, place your hands palms facing down.

✝ There are two options to receive wine, if you would like to intinct (dip) the wafer, please hold your fingertips together and the priest will place the wafer in between your fingers and the Chalice with the intinction bowl will come to you where you can dip the tip of the wafer into the wine.

✝ If you would like to receive from the common cup, please consume the wafer first, then the Chalice will bring the common chalice to you. Please help the Chalice by placing your hand on the base of the cup to take a sip of the wine.

✝ You are welcome to receive the sacrament in one kind, receiving only the bread or only the wine.

If for any reason you do not wish to receive the sacrament, you are still welcome to come forward for a blessing. At the altar railing cross your arms over your chest signifying that you are there to receive a blessing only.

When you pray, please remember the following church members:

Susan Seaver, Sue Parsons, Nancy Dawson, Janet Showalter, Lucy & John Goode, Jay Fiedler, Larry Rock, Les Fillgrove, Annette Sherman, Nancy & Connie Aasen, Kathleen Willey, Angela Park, John Mills, Lou Suthard, Ronnie Rice, Janet Darby, Trey Harrington, Carol Timmons, Katie Cole, Bob Phillipson, Leah & David Thomas, Dennis LaLiberte, Scott Heefner, Ginger Marsh and Donna Crane.

When you pray, please remember the following family & friends:

Graham Lighthiser, Grady Hebert, Dennis McArdle, Katie McFadden, Scott Kirby, Carol Perenzin, Dawn McAnanaey, Barry Akers, Brent Hodges, Ed Mulreany, Karl Grotos, Christy Darlington, Connie Rosenbaum, Barbara Anderson, Ann Smith, Wesley Ball, Lou Roeder, Dave Woods, George Holmes, Telly Noble, Wyatt Nickle, Rita Gilpin, Connie Smiley, Dee Dee Mitchell, Aaron Spicer, Chip Isbell, Glenn Webster, Martey Longmire, Caren Fields, Bob McCall, Bill Jines, Joelle Cosby, Sandra Barkey, Melissa Esmee Fields, Thomas Murrell, Dennis & Blair Nickle, Penny & Jeff Strack, Suzanne Silek, Robert Keep, RJ Redstrom, Ron Hodges, Elaine Jones, Jim Dawson, Terry Royal, Phillip, Dale Custer, Becky Sido, Jan Sierk, Kjerstin Johnson, Charlie Chitwood, Tom Green, Jerry Lowe, Sue Bland, Anya Steger, Christy, Carrie Dewees, Elijah Powers, Ernest Allen and Jamie Akers.

Happy Birthday to the following:

Will Hott	5/11	Mark Polanshek	5/14
Cindy Hyman	5/11	Monroe Harrison	5/15
Brooke Doggett	5/13	Lucy Goode	5/16

Happy Anniversary to the following:

Tina & Hank Schepker	5/10
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Announcements

- ❖ **Sunday Morning Children’s Time at 9:45 AM:** The children will meet in Denny Hall.
- ❖ **Zoom Bible Study: Tuesdays at 9:30 AM.** Join Zoom meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/97704697365?pwd=TkhIMUtQbXhVMS9TeHVQazl5L0piZz09;> Meeting ID: 977 0469 7365; Password: 371567.
- ❖ **Men’s Bible Study: Wednesdays at 9:15 AM.** Please join us for coffee, doughnuts and lively conversation. Each week we will look at the lectionary readings for the following Sunday. This study is for all levels of learners. We hope that you will join us.
- ❖ The Burial Service for Rhett duPont will take place **Thursday, May 14, at 2 PM.**
- ❖ **Graduation Recognition & Youth Sunday: Sunday, May 17**
- ❖ **Vestry Meeting: Sunday, May 17.**

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- ❖ **Youth Group: Sunday, May 17.** We will meet at Manakin at 3:30 and go to St. David's from 4 PM to 6 PM.
- ❖ **Manakin Book Club:** We will meet on **Tuesday, May 26, 5 PM in the parlor.** We will be discussing The God of the Woods by Liz Moore. It is mystery novel which chronicles the disappearance of a teenage girl at a summer camp owned by her wealthy family. Her older brother's disappearance from the same camp years earlier was never solved. All are welcome! If you have questions, please contact Terry Hood at 804-418-9372 or by email at thhood@hotmail.com.
- ❖ **Red Cross Blood Drive at Manakin:** The Vestry has endorsed sponsoring a Red Cross Blood Drive at Manakin. Before this can be scheduled, we need to assess the interest amongst the congregation. This will not occur for at least six months. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in Denny Hall. Please sign up if you are interested in donating. Thanks.
- ❖ **Food Donations:** We continue to donate lots of food to our local **Powhatan Food Bank.** We need volunteers to pick up food donations from the bins inside Denny Hall and bring them once a week to the Food Bank. Their hours to receive food are Monday-Friday 10 AM to 12 noon, Wednesdays 5 PM to 7 PM or Saturday 10 AM to 12 noon. Please text or call Mary Kay Gates if you can assist 434-390-2919. Current food needs: **Cream of Mushroom Soup, canned greens (mixed, collards, turnip, Spinach), Corned Beef Hash, Manwich/Sloppy Joe Sauce, ketchup and taco seasoning (packets only).**
- ❖ **Backpacks Of Love:** We will be helping Backpacks of Love by collecting snacks such as fruit cups, applesauce cups, Go Go squeeze applesauce, snack crackers packets and proteins (pop-top cans of beefaroni/ravioli are especially welcome). Please place these items in the marked bin in Denny Hall. **Join us on the 1st & 3rd Fridays of the month.** You can meet us at Manakin at **9 AM** or at the site at **9:30 AM**, 3035 Lower Hill Road, Powhatan. If you have any questions, contact Penny Sawyer at 804-794-5609.
- ❖ **Powhatan Animal Shelter** gladly accepts donations of dog food wet/dry Pedigree or Purina Adult ("Kongs"), treats, medium collars, harnesses, leashes and peanut butter. Please put these items in the marked bin in Denny Hall. You can also support them with a monetary donation to their medical fund at Claws and Paws by phone at 804-598-8030 or send your donation to Claws and Paws with the note "Powhatan Animal Control Medical Fund" to 4313 Anderson Highway, Powhatan, VA 23139. Thank you!
- ❖ **Plastic Bag Recycle Program:** We have joined The Salisbury Garden Club to collect plastic bags now through November 2026 or until our goal is met. Our goal is to collect 1,000 pounds of plastic! Drop off at church can be in the bin located in room number 5 in Denny Hall. Any questions? Please contact Jean Hillsman at jmhillsman56@gmail.com. Thank you for your help in reducing trash and protecting our environment while we gain another beautiful new bench for an organization in need. **What can be recycled?** Grocery bags, shipping envelopes, bread bags, Ziploc and other reclosable food storage bags, bubble wrap, cereal bags, dry cleaning bags, case overwrap (such as paper towels and toilet paper), newspaper sleeves, produce bags, ice bags. **No plastic bottles please.**

The Collect

Contemporary

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Traditional

O God, who hast prepared for those who love thee such good things as pass man's understanding: Pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee in all things and above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson: Acts 17:22-31

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we too are his offspring.' Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

The Psalm

Psalm 66:7-18

Jubilate Deo

- 7 Bless our God, you peoples; *
make the voice of his praise to be heard;
- 8 Who holds our souls in life, *
and will not allow our feet to slip.

9 For you, O God, have proved us; *
you have tried us just as silver is tried.

10 You brought us into the snare; *
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.

11 You let enemies ride over our heads;
we went through fire and water; *
but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.

12 I will enter your house with burnt-offerings
and will pay you my vows, *
which I promised with my lips
and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.

13 I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts
with the smoke of rams; *
I will give you oxen and goats.

14 Come and listen, all you who fear God, *
and I will tell you what he has done for me.

15 I called out to him with my mouth, *
and his praise was on my tongue.

16 If I had found evil in my heart, *
the Lord would not have heard me;

17 But in truth God has heard me; *
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.

18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, *
nor withheld his love from me.

The Epistle: 1 Peter 3:13-22

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

The Gospel: John 14:15-21

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. "I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

Processional Hymn #405 – All Things Bright And Beautiful

Descant

All things bright and beau - ti - ful, crea-tures great and small,

Refrain

All things bright and beau - ti - ful, all crea-tures great and small,

all things wise and won - der - ful, God made them all.

all things wise and won - der - ful, the Lord God made them all.

1 Each lit - tle flower that o - pens, each lit - tle bird that sings,
 2 The pur - ple - head - ed moun-tain, the riv - er run - ning by,
 3 The cold wind in the win - ter, the pleas - ant sum - mer sun,
 4 He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell

Repeat Refrain

he made their glow-ing col - ors, he made their ti - ny wings.
 the sun - set, and the morn - ing that bright-ens up the sky,
 the ripe fruits in the gar - den, he made them ev - ery one.
 how great is God Al - might - y, who has made all things well.

The Hymn #705 – As Those Of Old

Unison or harmony

1 As those of old their first fruits brought of vine - yard, flock, and
 *2 A world in need now sum - mons us to la - bor, love, and
 3 With grat - i - tude and hum - ble trust we bring our best to

field to God, the giv - er of all good, the
 give; to make our life an of - fer - ing to
 thee to serve thy cause and share thy love with

source of bount-eous yield; so we to - day our
 God that all may live; the Church of Christ is
 all hu - man - i - ty. O thou who gav - est

first fruits bring, the wealth of this good land, of
 call - ing us to make the dream come true: a
 us thy - self in Je - sus Christ thy Son, help

farm and mar - ket, shop and home, of mind, and heart, and hand.
 world re-deemed by Christ - like love; all life in Christ made new.
 us to give our - selves each day un - til life's work is done.

Communion Hymn #593 – Lord, Make Us Servants Of Your Peace

1 Lord, make us ser - vants of your peace: where there is
 2 Where all is doubt, may we sow faith; where all is
 3 Je - sus, our Lord, may we not seek to be con -
 4 May we not look for love's re - turn, but seek to
 5 Dy - ing, we live, and are re - born through death's dark

1 hate, may we sow love; where there is hurt, may we for -
 2 gloom, may we sow hope; where all is night, may we sow
 3 soled, but to con - sole, nor look to un - der - stand - ing
 4 love un - self - ish - ly, for in our giv - ing we re -
 5 night to end - less day: Lord, make us ser - vants of your

1 give; where there is strife, may we make one.
 2 light; where all is tears, may we sow joy.
 3 hearts, but look for hearts to un - der - stand.
 4 ceive, and in for - giv - ing are for - given.
 5 peace, to wake at last in hea - ven's light.

Communion Hymn #323 – Bread Of Heaven

1 Bread of heaven, on thee we feed, for thy Flesh is
 2 Vine of heaven, thy Blood sup - plies this blest cup of

meat in - deed; ev - er may our souls be fed
 sac - ri - fice; Lord, thy wounds our heal - ing give,

with this true and liv - ing Bread; day by day with
 to thy cross we look and live: Je - sus, may we

strength sup - plied, through the life of him who died.
 ev - er be graft - ed, root - ed, built in thee.

Closing Hymn #400 – All Creatures Of Our God and King vs. 1-4



1 All crea - tures of our God and King, lift up your voic - es, let us
 *2 Great rush - ing winds and breez - es soft, you clouds that ride the heavens a -
 *3 Swift flow - ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for your Lord to
 4 Dear mo - ther earth, you day by day un - fold your bless - ings on our
 5 All you with mer - cy in your heart, for - giv - ing o - thers, take your
 *6 And ev - en you, most gen - tle death, wait - ing to hush our fi - nal
 7 Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and wor - ship him in hum - ble -



1 sing: Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Bright burn - ing
 2 loft, O__ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Fair ris - ing
 3 hear, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Fire, so in -
 4 way, O__ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! All flowers and
 5 part, O__ sing now: Al - le - lu - ia! All you that
 6 breath, O__ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! You lead back
 7 ness, O__ praise him, Al - le - lu - ia! Praise God the



O praise him, O praise him, Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The refrain may be sung antiphonally, by phrase; all join in the final Alleluia.

